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- The Hauptverwaltung für Ausbildung (in charge of the paramilitary police) plans to organize "guidance offices" (Leitstellen) to serve as intermediate staff echelons between the Hauptvervaltung and the various local Objekte (schools and Bereitschaften). There would be one Leitstelle for each state of the Russian Zone, physically located at one of the Objekte; for example, the Leitstelle for Brandenburg is to be set up at Potsdam-Ciche. The structure of the Leitstellen has been mapped out, with provision for 45 men, including a chief with the rank of inspector and section chiefs for training, "Polit-Kultur", personnel, and finance. As the HV can no longer cope with the increased burden of field duties, which has necessitated frequent trips by staff officers to various Objekte, the Leitstellen have been conceived as inspection or fact-finding organs possessing no executive powers but able to relieve the HV echelon of routine inspection missions for implementation of its directives. However, the activation of the
- At the same time, it is planned to establish a w/t communications net linking the HV with the Leitstellen and the latter with their subordinate Objekte, since the present special telephone net is inadequate in view of the lack of repeater stations and the poor quality of the wires. Each paramilitary installation will have a w/t station*, and transmissions will be in code. For a complete signal system (w/t, telephone, teletype) as projected by Kommandeur Möller, in charge of the signals section, the personnel required will number about 500; the selection of these persons, both trained and untrained, has been entrusted to Polizeirat Nordin of the Organization Section, Hauptabteilung Stab. 25X1X

Leitstellen will be dependent on the availability of suitable personnel.

- The activation of a naval training unit (see para. 1) has been postponed until February.
- An airfield east of Güstrow (midway between Güstrow and Priemerwald), formerly belonging to the German Air Force, has been designated for glider training. A building on the site of the former airdrome, which is now occupied by an SED Kreis party school, is to be evacuated, although the Mecklenburg Interior Ministry has so far refused to make the site available to the Hauptverwaltung für Ausbildung as a training area. It is not clear whether the glider training is to be carried on under the auspices of the HV or of the SED.

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- 5. Housing facilities for a new Objekt are now under construction at Suhl in Thuringia. It is surmised that the effectives from the Boitzenburg Bereitschaft, whose barracks were destroyed by fire, are to be transferred to Suhl.
- 6. The Berlin Bereitschaft is currently 360 men over strength. Part of this excess is accounted for by a special commando serving as cadre for a specialist reconnaissance unit.
- 7. General Petrakovsky's deputy is Col. Shogolov, to whom all routine matters are referred by the subordinate HV organs which handle them.
- * Comment: Another source reports that the Ministry of the Interior has ordered 100 wireless transmitters from the Oberspreewerk in Berlin.